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H.B. No. 3582

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the abolition of certain entities associated with the Department of Agriculture.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. AGRICULTURE POLICY BOARD. (a) The Agriculture Policy Board is abolished.

(b) Section 2.004, Agriculture Code, is repealed.

SECTION 2. SHRIMP ADVISORY COMMITTEE. (a) The shrimp advisory committee is abolished.

(b) Section 47.052(b), Agriculture Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The commissioner [~~, in consultation with the advisory committee established under Section 47.053,~~] shall adopt rules as necessary to implement the program.

(c) Sections 47.051(1) and 47.053, Agriculture Code, are repealed.

SECTION 3. TEXAS ORGANIC AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRY ADVISORY BOARD. (a) The Texas Organic Agricultural Industry Advisory Board is abolished.

(b) Chapter 50C, Agriculture Code, is repealed.

SECTION 4. TEXAS BIOENERGY POLICY COUNCIL; TEXAS BIOENERGY RESEARCH COMMITTEE. (a) The Texas Bioenergy Policy Council and the Texas Bioenergy Research Committee are abolished.

(b) Chapter 50D, Agriculture Code, is repealed.

1 SECTION 5. PROPERTY, RECORDS, OR OTHER ASSETS. If an entity
2 that is abolished by this Act has property, records, or other
3 assets, including unspent and unobligated appropriations, the
4 Department of Agriculture shall take custody of the entity's
5 property, records, or other assets.

6 SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect September
7 1, 2017.